

**POLITY**

1. Which of the following is not correct with reference to National Emergency?

- (a) President can proclaim National Emergency only after receiving a written recommendation from the cabinet.
- (b) Emergency can be extended for an indefinite period with approval of Parliament for every six months.
- (c) Resolution approving the proclamation of emergency must be passed by a majority of two-thirds of the total membership of the House.**
- (d) Revocation of National Emergency does not require approval of the Parliament.

2. What could be the possible reasons for democracy being the most prevalent and better than other forms of government?

- 1. It provides for most stable form of government.
- 2. It ensures quick and correct decision making.
- 3. It extracts accountability from the government.
- 4. It ensures the elimination of income inequalities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only**
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

3. Which of the following Fundamental Rights are guaranteed by the Indian Constitution under the Right to Freedom?

- 1. Right to assemble peacefully
- 2. Right to form associations
- 3. Right to strike or effective bargaining
- 4. Right to life and personal liberty

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only**
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

4. Why India is described as a 'Union of States' rather than a 'Federation of States'?

- 1. The Indian federation is the result of an agreement among the states.
- 2. States have no right to secede from the federation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only**
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

5. Consider the following passage with reference

to a writ issued by Supreme Court under Article 32:

It is a command issued by a court to an authority directing it to perform a public duty imposed upon it by law. It can be issued when an authority vested with a power improperly refuses to exercise it. It can be issued to any kind of authority in respect of any type of function – administrative, legislative, quasi-judicial, judicial. It is used to enforce the performance of public duties by public authorities.

The above passage refers to which of the following writ?

- (a) Prohibition
- (b) Certiorari
- (c) Mandamus**
- (d) Quo-Warranto

6. Consider the following statements regarding Union Ministers:

- 1. A person cannot become a minister without being a Member of Parliament (MP).
- 2. The salaries and allowances of ministers are mentioned in the Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2**

7. Consider the following statements with reference to Public Accounts Committee:

- 1. The committee was set up under the provisions of Government of India Act 1919.
- 2. Speaker is the ex- officio chairman of the committee
- 3. A minister cannot be a member of the committee.

Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 2 only**

8. Consider the following statements with regard to Vice-President's role as Chairman of the Rajya Sabha:

- 1. He is the final authority on the interpretation of the Constitution and the Rules of Procedure for all house-related matters.
- 2. His rulings constitute precedents which are of a binding nature.
- 3. He determines whether a Rajya Sabha member stands to be disqualified on grounds of defection.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only  
**(d) 1, 2 and 3**

9. The Speaker of the Lok Sabha derives his/her powers and duties from:

1. The Constitution of India
2. The Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of Lok Sabha
3. Parliamentary Conventions

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) 2 and 3 only  
**(d) 1, 2 and 3**

10. With respect to Lok Adalats, consider the following statements:

1. It has been given statutory status under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
2. The award by the Lok Adalat is not binding and it is appealable.
3. There is no strict application of procedural laws like the Civil Procedure Code and the Evidence Act while assessing the claim by Lok Adalat.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only**  
(b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 and 2 only  
(d) 1, 2 and 3

### **GEOGRAPHY**

11. With respect to Montane Forests consider the following statements:

1. In these forest evergreen broad-leaf trees such as oaks and chestnuts are generally found.
2. Animals found in these forests have thick hair.
3. In India, these forests cover the southern slopes of the Himalayas and north-east India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 and 2 only  
**(d) 1, 2 and 3**

12. Rattans or Lianas are the common types of vegetation found in which of the following climatic regions of the world?

- (a) Hot desert regions  
(b) Temperate grasslands  
(c) Arctic region  
**(d) Equatorial regions**

13. In the context of extra-tropical cyclones in the northern hemisphere, consider the following statements:

1. They are formed along the front.

2. They can originate over both land and sea.
3. They move from east to west.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only**  
(b) 1 only  
(c) 2 and 3 only  
(d) 1, 2 and 3

14. Which of the following statements correctly describes the term river regime?

- (a) It is the dividing area between two rivers.  
**(b) It is the pattern of flow of water in a river channel over a year.**  
(c) It is a raised landform formed by a river near its banks due to deposition of sediments.  
(d) It refers to the origination or source of a river.

15. The movement of ocean currents is influenced by

1. Movement of planetary winds
2. The salinity of the ocean
3. Earth's rotation
4. Landmass distribution
5. Gravity

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1, 3 and 4 only  
(b) 2, 3 and 5 only  
(c) 1 and 4 only  
**(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5**

16. Consider the following statements with respect to temperature distribution in the oceans:

1. The highest surface oceanic temperature is recorded at the equator.
2. The temperature decreases at a uniform rate with increasing oceanic depth.
3. The oceans in the northern hemisphere record relatively higher temperatures than in the southern hemisphere.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 3 only**  
(b) 2 only  
(c) 1 and 2 only  
(d) 2 and 3 only

17. Known to be the land of rolling mountains, the region is accompanied by the formation of foreland basins (valley like depressions) which run parallel to the mountains, these depression are accumulated vastly with soft unconsolidated deposits forming a molasses basin.

Which Indian state is being described in the above passage?

- (a) Assam  
(b) Manipur  
(c) Himachal Pradesh

**(d) Mizoram**

18. Consider the following statements about sedimentary basins in India:

1. In India they are located only along with the offshore areas.
2. They are an important source of oil, natural gas, and petroleum.

Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

19. Consider the following statements:

1. The maximum percentage of surface water in India is utilized by the industrial sector.
2. The maximum percentage of groundwater in India is utilized by the agriculture sector.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

20. Geofencing, recently seen in the news, is

**(a) The banning of mines of precious metals for private sector extraction.**

- (b) The encircling of the underground facilities for nuclear waste disposal.  
(c) A location-based service in which an app or software uses GPS, RFID, Wi-Fi or cellular data to trigger a pre- programmed action.  
(d) A geographical area demarcated to track movement of wild animals in protected areas.

**CURRENT AFFAIRS**

21. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. "Zero-click" attacks are associated with spear-phishing.
  2. Spear phishing is a method to gather personal information using deceptive e-mails and websites.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 only  
b) 2 only  
c) Both 1 and 2  
d) Neither 1 nor 2

22. Consider the following statements regarding 'cultivation of shrimp':

1. Sustainable Aquaculture In Mangrove Ecosystem (SAIME) associated with the restoration of mangroves by the cultivation of shrimp.
2. The aquaculture cultivation/farming practice of shrimp can be performed in freshwater

environments only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a.1 only  
b.2 only  
c.Both 1 and 2  
d.Neither 1 nor 2

23. Which of the following is not a potential use case for blockchain technology?

- a. Supply chain management  
b. Cryptocurrency transactions  
c. Voting systems

**d. Centralized data storage**

24. Which of the following articles of the Indian Constitution does not relate to constitutional protection for women?

- a.Article 15(3)  
b.Article 15(1)  
c.Article 51 (A)

**d.Article 50**

25. Consider the following statements regarding properties of 'Millets':

- 1.They are photo-insensitive and resistant to climate change.
2. They are rich in calcium and magnesium.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a.1 only  
b.2 only  
c.Both 1 and 2  
d.Neither 1 nor 2